

### **REMARKS**

The applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the above-amendments and following remarks. The applicant has cancelled the non-elected claims. The applicant has incorporated objected claim 31 into claim 30. The applicant has amended the claims to overcome the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection. No new matter has been added.

Claims 31, 32, 33, 34 and 40 are allowable over the prior art.

### **Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112**

Claims 30-34 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. The applicant believes that the claims as amended are in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. With respect to claim 34, Y is anion. The anion claimed in Y consists essentially of 90 to 99.5% by weight of at least one ion selected from the group consisting of  $\text{ClO}_4^-$ ,  $\text{BF}_4^-$ ,  $\text{PF}_6^-$ ,  $\text{Tos}^-$  and  $\text{PhSO}_3^-$  and 0.5 to 10% by weight of  $\text{Cl}^-$ . This is discussed in detail on page 7 of the applicant's specification. For the above reasons, this rejection should be withdrawn.

### **Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and 103(a)**

Claims 30, 37-39 and 59-64 under 35 U.S.C. 102 (b) as anticipated by or 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as obvious over Lindsey, U.S. Patent No. 2,680,713 ("Lindsey"). In order to expedite prosecution, the applicant has incorporated claim 31 (which was not rejected over Lindsey) into independent claim 30. Therefore, this rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

A three month extension of time has been paid. Also a Notice of Appeal has been filed. Applicant believes no additional fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please

charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 05129-00090-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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